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The Honorable Julius Genachowski
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Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I write to you with respect to the Commission's ongoing proceeding to change the Wireless Communications Services (WCS) rules. In particular, I am concerned that ill-advised changes to these rules may result in serious problems for satellite radio broadcasters and their listeners.

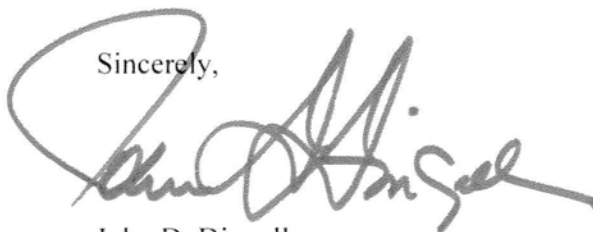
As you are aware, I believe broadband, including mobile broadband, offers the nation many benefits, and as such, I have long been a proponent of the development of new broadband alternatives. All the same, the deployments of new broadband services must not threaten other established licensees, such as satellite radio providers, or cause disruptive interference for millions of existing consumers. A decision to open the WCS spectrum to mobile broadband transmission could lead precisely to this undesirable outcome.

I urge that any steps to open the WCS spectrum be taken carefully and with due regard for existing licensees. Moreover, I ask that the Commission continue in its efforts to achieve full transparency and accountability by making available to the public any proposed modified rules for mobile use of the WCS spectrum before their adoption, as well as afford all interested parties an opportunity to comment on them.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter, and please keep me informed of the Commission's plan for the WCS spectrum. Should you have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me directly or have a member of your staff contact Andrew Woelfling in my office at 202-225-4071.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,



John D. Dingell
Member of Congress



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THE CHAIRMAN

April 20, 2010

The Honorable John D. Dingell
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Dear Congressman Dingell:

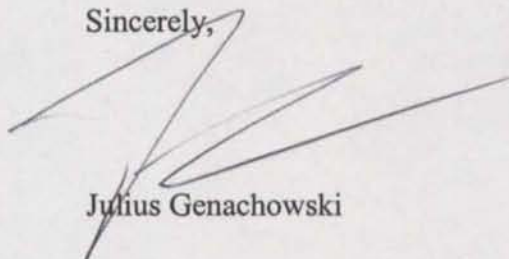
Thank you for your letter regarding the Wireless Communications Service (WCS) proceeding currently pending before the Commission. I share your view about the benefits that wireless broadband service will bring to the public, and want to assure you that we remain committed to conducting this and any Commission proceeding transparently and with full public participation.

The Commission is actively engaged in addressing interference issues that might exist between WCS and the Satellite Digital Audio Radio Service (SDARS). Commission staff released a *Public Notice* on April 2, 2010, to supplement the record with public comments on draft interference rules for the WCS and SDARS. The draft rules include provisions to minimize the risk of harmful interference to SDARS from mobile WCS operation. Comments on the draft rules are due by April 16, 2010. I am enclosing a copy of the *Notice* for your information.

My goals are to resolve the WCS/SDARS proceeding as expeditiously as possible in order to determine the appropriate balance of technical parameters that will enable WCS licensees to offer new mobile services to the public while preserving high quality SDARS service. We will place your letter in the record to consider as part of our deliberations.

I appreciate your interest in this very important matter. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Julius Genachowski

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